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Hundreds of people headed to the Fort Erie Race Track for the first races of the season on Tuesday. Following the races, those in attendance listened as Xprime kicked off the 2016 Summer Concert Series at the Tiki Bar. Free concerts take place every Tuesday night after the races during the summer. The Fort Erie track will host 40 race dates on Tuesdays and Sundays until Oct. 18, with the 81st running of the 82st running of the Prince of Wales Stakes taking place on Tuesday, July 26.

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Fort Erie to commemorate Battle of Ridgeway this weekend

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

The Battle of Ridgeway was a defining battle in Canadian history that led to the birth of a new nation.

It was on June 2, 1886, a sweltering hot day, when troops were called to Fort Erie to defend the land against an invasion from an army in Buffalo.

About 800 to 1,200 soldiers from the Fenian Army arrived with the intention of capturing the Province of Canada, a piece of British North America, and trading it for Ireland's freedom.

Following the Battle of Ridgeway, the colonies felt they could better defend themselves instead of relying on Britain for their defence and talks toward Confederation hastened. Canada was born one year later.

Now, 150 years later after the Town of Fort Erie will host a series of once-in-a-life-time events on Saturday, June 4 to commemorate the important battle.

"Recognizing the significance of this event has invoked a sense of pride within our community. Town staff, the museum board and a number of community and military groups have joined together to help

make this a memorable celebration for all to enjoy," Mayor Wayne Redekop said.

"It's this kind of community involvement that makes Fort Erie a special place to live and visit."

The events, which have been organized by Jane Davies, Fort Erie Historical Museum and Cultural Services manager, and Russ Wilson, the Town's general manager of Community Gaming and Development Services, include a parade, a ceremony and festival.

A formal military parade will begin at Crystal Ridge Arena at noon.

The descendants of the regiments who fought at the Battle of Ridgeway more than a century ago are returning to commemorate this important event in Canadian history. Soldiers from The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada and The Royal Hamilton Light Infantry will participate in the parade. Redekop will grant each regiment Freedom of the City at the Village Square. The soldiers will march up Ridge Road to Ridgeway Battlefield Park on Highway 3. While the soldiers parade, rifle shots will be fired.

A ceremony that includes a para-



A paratrooper from the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada will drop 10,000 square-foot, displaying a Canadian flag, during a ceremony at Ridgeway Battlefield Park.

chute drop, period music, a plaque unveiling and a tribute to the soldiers who lost their lives during the battle will begin at 1 p.m.

Free parking and a shuttle bus service will be made available to the public at the Crystal Ridge Arena to transport visitors to and from the ceremony site beginning at 10 a.m.

The events will continue at Crystal Ridge Arena Park between 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., with tactical demonstrations, weapons and uniform displays, artefact displays, interactive children's activities, food and music.



FORT ERIE HISTORICAL MUSEUM'S SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

The Town of Fort Erie will commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Ridgeway on June 4 with a parade featuring The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada and The Royal Hamilton Light Infantry, a ceremony and festival.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for residents of Fort Erie to celebrate the role our town played in the formation of Canada," Davies said.

"It will be a day for us to show our support for Canada's troops and to show that we will remember the ultimate sacrifice paid by those young men 150 years ago."

Lieutenant Colonel Sandi Banerjee, the commanding officer of the Queen's Own Rifles, said "ordinary Canadians" came together for "an extraordinary purpose" 150 years ago.

"The 'Battle that formed a Nation' is worthy of remembrance amongst all Canadians, especially the cost that was paid so early in our country's formation, so that we could live free," he said.

Lieutenant Colonel Gary McQueen, commanding officer of the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry added the battle is "an important milestone for Canada, its army, and the communities from which the soldiers came."

"Ridgeway has been, and always will be, a key event in the formation of Canada," he said.

Garrison Road will be closed from Gorham to Ridgemount Roads from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Ridge Road will be closed from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For further information about the parade, ceremony or festival call the Fort Erie Historical Museum at 905-894-5322 or visit www.museum.forterie.ca

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- Motorists will be able to access the east and west sides of Highway 3 through a detour route via Gorham, Bowen and Ridgemount Roads.
- Ridge Road will not be accessible to traffic between Rebstock Road and Highway 3 between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Event parking begins at Crystal Ridge Arena at 10:00 a.m.
- Shuttle bus service from the arena to Ridgeway Battlefield

Park between 10 a.m. and noon.

- A parade of soldiers will leave Crystal Ridge Arena at noon.
- Freedom of the City presentations will be made at Ridgeway Village Square at 12:15 p.m.
- A ceremony at Ridgeway Battlefield Park will be held between 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.
- The ceremony will feature a paratrooper from the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, who will drop at 10,000 feet while displaying a Canadian flag, as well as tributes to the soldiers who gave their lives, and plaque unveilings.
- A shuttle bus service returns people to Crystal Ridge Arena at 2:30 p.m.
- A festival at Crystal Ridge Arena from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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Police probe dog deaths

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

The suspicious deaths of two Pyrenees mountain dogs have left a huge hole that can never be filled in the hearts of a Fort Erie family.

Megan Sunners was visiting a friend a few hours away from home on May 18 when she received a call from her mother, Martha Skerrett.

"My mom said both dogs were very sick and they were lethargic," Sunners said.

"At first we thought it may have been a tick bite. Never in our wildest dreams did we think something like this would happen."

Seven-year-old Shasta, who was adopted from a farm as a puppy, couldn't walk. The 135-pound dog was lifted using a bed sheet and placed into a car.

Thor, a six-year-

old 170-pound dog, was losing his balance but he managed to wait and was lifted inside.

Both dogs were driven to the Niagara Veterinary Emergency Clinic in Thorold.

Too upset to drive, Sunners left her friend's home at 6 the next morning and drove straight to the animal hospital.

"Shasta had really bad seizures and pain. She died at 2 a.m. that morning."

When Sunners greeted Thor, he was "happy" to see her.

"Thor had an IV placed in him. He kept collapsing when he stood up. He was so excited to see me. He licked me and kissed me," Sunners said.

"He was sort of acting like himself so I thought he would be OK."

Despite the best efforts of staff at the animal hospital, Thor could not be saved and died a few hours after Shasta.

"Thor's mouth had no moisture, he had respiratory problems and most of his organs were failing," Sunners said.

"The vet told us he had no chance to live. I made the decision to euthanize him. I didn't want him to suffer anymore."

Sunners spent her last moments with Thor beside him.

"I laid down with him and pet him. I told him he was a good boy. He went with no pain."

She said her family's dogs "were deliberately and maliciously poisoned" on their Mathews Road property.

The veterinarian that cared for Shasta and Thor "found

evidence of poison after testing both dogs."

"When we came home we called the police and two detectives were sent out. They took our statements and collected evidence," Sunners said.

The dogs called a 1,500 square-foot enclosure, surrounded by trees, home during the day.

"They were not indoor dogs but they came inside the house every night so they didn't make noise."

Sunners said detectives discovered tainted meat in the dogs' pen. Sunners said the large size of the dogs is an indication that their deaths were caused intentionally.

"(Shasta and Thor) would have had to ingest a signifi-

cant amount to be poisoned like they were," she said. "We were told the poison had to be taken ingested at least 72 to 24 hours before they started showing any signs."

Sunners was told there was nothing she could have done to save the dogs' lives.

"We would have had to discover it (the poison) within one to three hours (of it being ingested by the dogs) to have any chance to save them."

Sunners said she and her family are trying their best to heal from the pain caused by the loss of their dogs. Knowing what happened to their beloved pets, Sunners said she "doesn't feel safe on (her) street."

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MEGAN SUNNERS/SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

Megan Sunners is pictured here with Thor, her Pyrenees mountain dog that died of suspected poisoning. She is asking the community to call the Niagara Regional Police or Crime Stoppers if they have any information about the incident.

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HOW WE FLOW:

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HOW WE GO:

The Transportation Master Plan will look at how we currently travel in and around Niagara and how we can improve our transportation systems, including options for walking, cycling and public transit, to better serve Niagara's future needs.

GET INVOLVED:

Residents are invited to attend a Public Information Centre in their community to learn how each of these projects contribute to Niagara's overall growth plan for the next 25 years, and how you can have your voice heard.

June 15, 2016

Town of Fort Erie
Leisureplex Banquet Hall
21 Municipal Centre Dr.
4 - 8 p.m.

June 16, 2016

Township of West Lincoln
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4 - 8 p.m.

June 22, 2016

City of Welland
City Square - Front Foyer
60 East Main St.
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There is an opportunity at any time during this process for interested persons to bring comments and concerns to the attention of the project managers, and to review outstanding issues. If you have any questions or comments or wish to be added to the study mailing list, please contact us:

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The Transportation and Water and Wastewater studies follow the Master Plan process as outlined in Section A.2.7 of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Oct 2000, as amended in 2007 and 2011). The Master Plan will be filed under Approach #2 of the MEA Class EA Approach for Master Planning. The Master Servicing Plan will satisfy the planning requirements for Schedule A, A+ and select Schedule B projects and provide the basis for future investigations of identified Schedule B and C projects.

Outdoor learning



BLAKE FARNHAM/SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

The Fort Erie Conservation Club donated bird feeders, trees and butterfly houses to Stevensville Public School's outdoor sanctuary. The goal of the sanctuary is to try to get kids outdoors more to learn more about nature, trees, animals, birds and fish. Children are encouraged to take care of the environment and enjoy the outdoors. Turckstra Lumber donated all the lumber for the projects, and Terry Teal built all the bird houses. Fred Louws and the shop class at Fort Erie Secondary School built and donated the huge chair. Pictured are (from left) Chantel Vanderklei, Robynn Sensabaugh, Matt Woehl, Melissa Lee, William Sensabaugh, Katie Vanderklei, Morgan White, Jason White, Diana Bythell Woehl, Fort Erie Conservation Club President Connie Charron, Kristen Leveille, Deana Davies, (back row) Micah Stewart and sitting in the wheelbarrows brothers Rylan Leveille and Caleb Leveille.

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'House really quiet now'

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"It would help our family to know that people care and if they know anything to please call the police. We really want to find out who did this," she said.

"Both of these dogs did not have a mean bone in their bodies. They were more than just family pets. Without them, our house is really

quiet now."

Sunners said her family has created a Go Fund Me Page with all of the proceeds to be donated to Welland and District Humane Society from where Thor was adopted. The page can be found at www.gofundme.com/4shasta-thor.

"We wanted to do something and this is one way to

show we are against animal cruelty," Sunners said.

Niagara Regional Police Const. Leslie Sardella said police are "still actively investigating the incident."

She said police are aware of two other incidents in the past year where poisoning was suspected. Neither of those incidents were confirmed to be caused as a result of poison.

"Given only two reported incidents in the past year I would say that it is not common," she said.

Sardella said it is important for anyone with information about this incident to call police, or make an anonymous phone call to Crime Stoppers.

"As with solving any criminal investigation, evidence must exist to charge some-

one with a criminal offence. Tips from witnesses or video evidence greatly assists the police in solving a crime," she said. "Suspicion alone is not enough to constitute a criminal charge."

Wendy Trombley, Fort Erie SPCA manager, said the NRP were called first and proceeded with the investigation.

"We are available for any

assistance need," she said. This incident is "not common" but Trombley stressed it's "always important to keep your pet's safety in mind."

Anyone with information is asked to call the police at 905-871-2300 ext. 2321 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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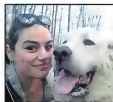
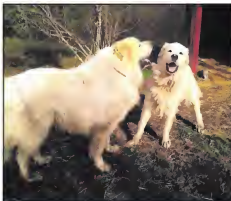
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PET POISON HELPLINE

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MEGAN SUNNERS: SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

Megan Sunners is pictured here with Shasta. She is asking the community to call the Niagara Regional Police or Crime Stoppers if they have any information about the incident.



Thor and Shasta, two Pyrenees mountain dogs died of suspected poisoning.

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Point of View

Wynne can't force MPPs to resign

The manner in which Premier Kathleen Wynne and her Liberal government have handled allegations of sexual harassment is a head-scratcher for many Queen's Park observers.

First came the bombshell that two MPPs had been forced to quit the legislature over allegations of sexual harassment. We were told we couldn't know their names for legal reasons and to protect the victims. Then one of the victims went public and named former Niagara Falls MPP Kim Craitor as the person she'd made allegations about. He denied any wrongdoing. Reporters naturally wanted more details.

Who produced the report on these allegations?

Where's the report? Why can't we see it?

They've lied to us before. They'll lie again.

Where's the transparency?

We have no idea what Craitor — and whoever the other person who was forced to quit — allegedly did. This is an entirely inappropriate way to deal with democratically elected parliamentarians.

Technically, Craitor did not work for Wynne and the Liberal Party. He worked for the people of Niagara Falls who elected him. It would have been appropriate for Wynne to expel Craitor from caucus, but forcing him

to quit his seat in the legislature is not her prerogative.

In some ways it's very undemocratic. Based on a report that she won't make public, Wynne is overturning the will of the electorate by demanding the resignation of a duly elected MPP.

Craitor was a renegade Liberal from the time he was elected. He often was at odds with his own party on politics. Yet he was very popular in his Niagara Falls riding and would likely have been able to run successfully as an Independent.

For all we know, Wynne's "investigation" might have been a kangaroo court. Or the investigation may never have happened. I'm not saying that's the case. I'm just saying we don't know.

This becomes all the more hypocritical when you consider that former Liberal premier David Peterson — Matthews' brother-in-law — faces a sexual harassment claim by a former manager at the Pan Am Games.

While the allegations have not been proven in court, you'd have thought the Liberal Party would suspend Peterson's party membership pending the outcome of the lawsuit, which they have not done.

A double-standard? You bet. But par for the Liberal course.

- Christina Blizzard

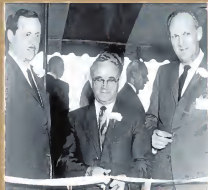
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Do you remember?



Our thanks to Margaret Russell, Jana Thompson and two anonymous callers for helping to identify last week's Do You Remember photo. Bill Harlow, general manager of Strong, Cobb and Arner is shown on the left and Jana's father, Willis Fletcher (Bill) Thompson, principal of Fort Erie High School is on the right. The man in the centre who is cutting the ribbon is still unidentified. The man in profile at the back of the photo is Earle S. Howard, head of Provincial Gas Co. Our callers think this may have been taken at either a Lion's Club event or an event for the Douglas Memorial Hospital in the early 1950s.

We are also grateful to Matt Lahay who called in about the previous week's photo of the dancers. He came across the original 1973 clipping and told us that these were ballerinas from the Fay Wilson School of Dance who had just passed their Grade 1 ballet exams held in Niagara Falls, N.Y. They are left to right, Barb Fraser, Nancy Candella, Nancy Bourne, Donna Hawranek and Theresa Anzovino. The clipping goes on to mention that dancer Andrea Bukatko was absent when the photo was taken. This week's photo is dated stamped 1976 and has the name Joe Kranics written on the back. If you know which one he is, or the names of any of the other gentlemen, please call the Fort Erie Historical Museum at 905-894-5322 or e-mail us at museum@forterie.ca. We hope to see many of you out on Saturday June 4 to help celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Ridgeway.



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Peacock School of Dance delights audiences



SARAH FERGUSON/FORT ERIE TIMES

Peacock School of Dance students entertained audiences during their 64th annual recital held Sunday, May 29. The show was part of the dance school's three-day recital held this past weekend at Lakeshore Catholic High School in Port Colborne. The recital featured performances from dance students ages three to 18.

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Whether you call it 'urban poling' or 'Nordic walking' if you are interested in physical fitness, you will want to learn more about this great way to walk and get fit on Wednesday, June 8 at 1 p.m. at the Centennial branch of the Fort Erie Public Library.

Niagara Region Public Health advisors will visit to talk about physical activity and demonstrate—and allow attendees to try—

Nordic walking outdoors in the Sugarbowl Park. Nordic walking and conventional walking both improve cardio-respiratory fitness. Nordic walking provides additional benefits in upper-body strength, because of the specially designed poles, which keep the basic "hands above the heart" position of the arms, improving circulation and reducing heart rate. The "rhythm" created by walking with poles leads to relaxed, more regular breathing and increased stamina. This may sound complicated, but it actually is as simple as going for a walk.



Fort Erie Library

We will gather in the community room at the Centennial branch before we head outdoors to try our new skill.

Trumbo, the film for next week stars Bryan Cranston as Dalton Trumbo, who was a top Hollywood screenwriter of the 1940s, until he was jailed and blacklisted for his political beliefs. Helen Mirren plays gossip columnist Hedda Hopper, and Diane Lane plays Trumbo's wife Cleo. The audience learns of all the screenplays Trumbo wrote under other names, and how long it took before he was able to take credit for his second winning work. One scene shows Trumbo speaking years later about how the blacklist victimized both those who stood by their principles and lost their jobs, and also those who compromised their

principles to keep working. *Trumbo* will be screened on Tuesday, June 7 at 2:00 p.m. at the Crystal Ridge branch, and at the Centennial branch on Thursday, June 9 at 6:30 p.m.

Please note that this Saturday, June 4, the Crystal Ridge branch of the Fort Erie Public Library will be closed for the Anniversary of the Battle of Ridgeway

events taking place throughout the day. The Centennial and Stevensville branches of the library will be open for regular hours on Saturday.

Here's a Fort Erie Public Library 'fast fact': At FEPL, circulation breaks down like this: 83 per cent of materials borrowed are actual physical books, DVDs and magazines, and 17% are electronic

versions, such as ebooks, Zinio magazine downloads and HOOPLA videos. You can get it all at the library, and plenty is being circulated. You can place

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Amy Roebeck is the community services coordinator at the Fort Erie Public Library.

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Missing teeth affect what we eat and how we feel. A common theme we hear is of patients declining dinner invitations with family and friends, unsure of what will be served and whether they'll be able to eat it or not — until one day the invitations don't come anymore.



Dr. John Inigo

Others relate how people judge them because they just never smile. Missing teeth really do affect how we live our daily lives — socially and emotionally. And why is this? The answer is simple if you think about it. We use our mouths in so many ways every single day: we talk with our mouths, we laugh with our mouths, we smile, we sing, we eat, we kiss.

The mouth is how we get our sustenance. If our mouths are full of infection and disease, this is what we're swallowing along with our food every single day. Many people are also not aware that gum disease

(also known as periodontal disease) is contagious. We pass it along to everyone we kiss or share dishes with.

Studies show that the first two things people notice about us are our eyes and our smiles. Even if we don't care what others think about us, it can affect our relationships, our careers and how people remember us. No one really wants to be known as "that person with the really bad teeth" — do they?

So now we know what happens to us emotionally, but what happens to us physically when we lose teeth? Missing teeth are

shown to lead to bone loss, teeth shifting causing gaps between teeth, bite changes and facial changes (shorter face and more collapsed facial tone). Teeth need each other to keep them in place. Shifting teeth cause bite changes which can lead to periodontal disease and TMJ (Temporomandibular Joint) problems.

Good news is there is a way to address these issues with different replacement options including dental implants. Please contact your dentist and learn about your different implant options.

Dr. John Inigo is a practicing general dentist in Fort Erie and Ridgeway, Ontario. For more information about the free seminar please go to www.inigodentistry.com or call 905.871.2903 or 905.694.5555.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Construction and Road Closure

Catherine Street, Kingsmill Street South & High Street

The Town of Fort Erie will begin construction on Catherine St., Kingsmill St. S and High St. the week of May 30th, 2016. The construction will continue throughout the year and is expected to be completed by Spring 2017.

Construction Details:

The **Catherine Street** section (from Niagara Boulevard to Concession Road) of the project includes:

- Replacing the existing watermain and services to property line
- Replacing the existing sanitary sewer and services to property line
- Replacing the existing storm sewer system
- Replacing the existing sidewalks (select sections)
- Replacement of the existing Catherine Street Sanitary Pumping Station forcemain
- Full road reconstruction

The **Kingsmill Street South** section (from Catherine Street to the north limit) of the project includes:

- Replacing the existing watermain and services to property line
- Replacing the existing sanitary sewer and services to property line
- Replacing and extending the existing storm sewer system
- Replacing the existing sidewalks (select sections)
- Road resurfacing

The **High Street** section (from Catherine Street north 200 metres) of the project includes:

- Replacing the existing sanitary sewer and services to property line
- Constructing a new storm sewer system
- Road resurfacing

Road Closures:

Block by block road closures will occur with local access being maintained at all times for residents, businesses and emergency vehicles. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during the construction period.

Bus Detour:

All transit routes will be detoured from Catherine Street (Parkway to Central) onto Lavinia Street for the duration of construction.

Contact:

For questions regarding the project, please contact George Stojanovic, P.Eng., Manager, Engineering Division at 905-871-1600 ext. 2402 or gstojanovic@forterie.ca

For more information:

<http://www.forterie.ca/pages/CapitalConstructionProjects>



Wilbur James set to perform Blues tunes Saturday

It feels like summer has moved in on us. Finally!

Did you have a chance to check out our new plant boxes? They are beautiful and functional all at the same time. I look forward to enjoying the vegetables and herbs that are growing in them now.

as part of this year's 150th anniversary of The Battle of Ridgeway on June 4, Wilbur James will treat your ear canals with blues tunes on the Brimstone's stage. What a great way to end the day.

If you love yoga and beer, this event is for you. Join Sharlene Styles for an hour of Yoga to get the juices flowing followed by a delicious and healthy brunch and a flight of local beer courtesy of Brimstone Brewing Company and Crave Local Pils. There are still tickets available for \$35. Class will start at 10 a.m. Please contact



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All proceeds from this event will go to the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign. Tickets are available for \$20 at JE Harper and Company, The Flying

Squirrel, Brimstone Brewery in Ridgeway and on www.ticketscene.ca.

The Stephen Lewis Foundation (SLF) has been providing much needed resources for more than 300 community-based organizations in 15 African countries dealing with the effects of AIDS and HIV since 2003. The Grandmothers to Grandmothers initiative supports grandmothers who are raising kids orphaned by this horrible disease.

This is a very worthy cause and I am

member of this community whose people are always willing to help anyone in need.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. The show will start at 8:30 pm with young nominated Michael Pickett followed by energetic young winning band Paul James Band. What a night.

Sean McCann from iconic Canadian band Great Big Sea will visit Ridgeway on June 17. Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 8:30 pm. This show is seated. Tickets are available for \$25 on [www](http://www.wwww).

ticketscene.ca and at Brimstone Brewing Company. Better hurry if you were planning on purchasing tickets. Chances are, it'll be sold out.

For more information about what is going in at The Sanctuary - Centre for the Arts visit www.thesanctuaryarts.org or like us on Facebook.

Nadine Pizzicarola is the events coordinator for the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Road Closures
Highway 3 (Garrison Road)
From Gorham Road to Ridgmount Road
&
Ridge Road
From Rebstock Road to Highway 3 (Garrison Road)

PURPOSE OF ROAD CLOSURES:

On June 4, 2016, the Town of Fort Erie will be celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Ridgeway with a parade, ceremony and festival. As a result, portions of Highway 3 (Garrison Road) and Ridge Road will be temporarily closed.

TRAFFIC IMPLICATIONS/DETOUR ROUTE:

Highway 3

On June 4, Highway 3 (Garrison Road) will not be accessible to vehicular traffic between Gorham and Ridgmount roads from 9am to 3pm. Vehicular traffic will be able to access the east and west sides of Highway 3 via the approved detour route. Vehicular traffic will be detoured via Gorham, Bowen and Ridgmount roads. In addition, Burleigh and Bernard roads will be closed to street parking to accommodate for shuttle buses transporting people from Crystal Ridge Arena to Ridgeway Battlefield Park.

Ridge Road

On June 4, a parade of soldiers will be marching from Crystal Ridge Arena to Ridgeway Battlefield Park. To accommodate for this parade, Ridge Road will be closed from 10:30am to 1pm between Rebstock Road & Highway 3.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

WATER WORKS BY-LAW UPDATE

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie intends to consider a proposed by-law at its Regular Meeting of Council on Monday, June 20, 2016 to adopt a revised and updated Water Works By-law governing the management and operation of the Fort Erie Drinking Water Distribution System which is governed by the provisions of the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002*, the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, the *Ontario Building Code Act*, the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act*, the *Ontario Fire Code* (including various Regulations established under these Acts) and *Bill 75: An Act Respecting the Cost of Water and Wastewater Services*.

The last by-law was passed in 2004. The new Water Works By-law will bring the technical aspects and administrative processes of the water distribution services up-to-date. The by-law is also intended to be an uncomplicated guide for property owners, Town staff and Council with respect to their individual roles and responsibilities in the provision of clean, safe water.

A copy of the proposed Water Works By-law is available on the Town of Fort Erie's website at www.forterie.ca under the "Announcements" section for your review until June 20, 2016. Copies may also be requested in the Engineering Division at 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, ON L2A 2S6.

Results of public comment will be included in a memorandum report to be considered at the Council-in-Committee Meeting of June 13, 2016. Any person interested in appearing before Council as a delegation at the meetings of June 13 or 20, 2016 to address the proposed updated Water Works By-law must register with the Clerk's Office by 3:00 p.m. on June 8th and June 16th, 2016 respectively.

Written comments are invited from any person respecting the proposed Water Works By-law and should be directed to Mr. Kelly Walsh, P. Eng., Director, Infrastructure Services at (905) 871-1600 Extension 2400 or kwalsht@forterie.ca.

Any inquiries concerning these road closures may be directed to Al Stouffer, Community Liaison Coordinator, at 905-871-1600 ext. 2543 or astouffer@forterie.ca.

Your co-operation and patience during this period of inconvenience will be appreciated.

It's time to talk about the Eastern bluebird

Bluebird Time.

Where do I go to see one of my favourite birds, the Eastern bluebird?

I could drive to Beaver Meadows south of Buffalo, N.Y.

I could go west to Winfield near the lake where I have seen as many as 10 at a time.

When Elaine and I go to church in Sheraton we sometimes drive to the Beach cemetery.

Elaine's relatives are buried there. Someday we will be too.



Near the end of the drive going in is a bluebird box erected by Rob Eberly of Ridgeway. There often perched on a fence post this past

spring were a pair of bluebirds.

This is the nearest and best place for me to see these birds.

What's your favourite location? Ever hear a bluebird call when flying? As they fly around the Beach cemetery grounds you can hear a liquid and musical "queedle" sound. Those who have heard it know what I mean. It is an unmistakable bluebird signature.

Audubon Guide says, "Its song is a soft melodious warble."

I love those bluebirds.

The Downy is small - only a sparrow-sized woodpecker.

He's the smallest of our woodpeckers. He's a black and white patterned bird.

The red patch on the nape of his neck is easily recognizable. Listen for the sharp "pik-pik-pik" sound.

In sketching this bird I noticed its short beak.

Bird watching has become the second most passive sport after gardening in North America. Many have taken the next step - setting up bird feeders. The Henningshams of Bertie Road had many great feeders. That is where I saw my latest Downy woodpecker along with blue jays, cardinals and mourning doves a busy but delightful scene. Note: Once you start a feeder be faithful in supplying seed.

A beautiful, crested multi-coloured small duck that resided in Marcy Wood pond almost every spring. Ten years ago a pair

nestled at the Marcy pond area for three consecutive springs. This year just the strikingly male wood duck.

At Stevensville Conservation Club wood duck boxes were placed near the creek. Hope was to attract a pair. Wood ducks have a habit of nesting in tree cavities.

Marcy Woods has a lot of them. This enables them to breed in areas lacking ground cover. The young leave the nest soon after hatching. I have been told that the parents reject the young unceremoniously. "Time to fly, kids!"

Sadly in the Stevensville pond area six wood duckling swam after mother. I monitored the mother and young ones for a few weeks. You know the story. A large snapping turtle took all the little ones. I observed a snapper take one.

The Audubon Guide says, "Snapping turtles take a heavy toll of them."

I know this to be true.

Earl Plato is a resident of Fort Erie, local historian and nature lover.



TOWN OF FORT ERIE THUNDER BAY STORM DRAINAGE PHASES 3 AND 4 BERNARD AVENUE AND COOK AVENUE

Town Council, through the 2016 Capital Budget has approved the design and construction of storm sewers in Thunder Bay in the Town of Fort Erie. This work includes the installation of a new storm sewer on Bernard Avenue from Thunder Bay Road to Evadere Avenue, and a new storm sewer and road resurfacing on Cook Avenue from Thunder Bay Road to Riselay Avenue. Construction work is tentatively scheduled to commence August, 2016.

As part of the public consultation for this project, a Public Information Centre (PIC) is being planned to provide interested parties with an opportunity to review the design and construction plans. Those attending the PIC will have an opportunity to meet with the Project Team, review and discuss issues related to the project, including existing conditions and environmental considerations. The PIC will take place on:

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

at the

Crystal Ridge Branch Public Library (Ground Floor Meeting Room)

89 Ridge Road South, Ridgeway, Fort Erie

(905-894-1281)

If you are unable to attend the PIC but have comments or questions regarding the project please contact the following:

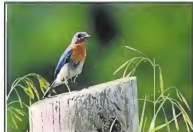
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Note: If you require accommodations to participate in this event, please contact Monirul Islam. Advanced requests are encouraged to enable us to meet your needs.

Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will be part of the public record.

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An Eastern bluebird is pictured in this photo.

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'Slightly warmer' summer expected

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Niagara residents can expect a "comfortable" summer, says Weather Network meteorologist Nadine Powell.

The Weather Network launched its summer forecast last Wednesday, looking at expected conditions during June, July and August.

For Niagara, Powell said temperatures will likely be slightly above seasonal, which is typically in the range of about 26C.

"It seems as though, compared at least to the last couple of years, we may see at least one or two more

days where we get to above 30C, so it should be slightly warmer than the last couple of years."

Powell said they're not expecting to see a pattern of "really dry, scorchy weather, where we may see people complaining for an extended period of time."

"I think it will be what most people will be used to in terms of a typical summer with one or two days where we do see hot conditions."

When it comes to precipitation, Powell said Niagara residents can "more than likely" expect to see near normal amounts of rain, which averages between 200 to 250 millimetres.

"Precipitation can be quite difficult to forecast because while you may have the entire season running more or less average, you get one extreme rainfall event, and that can really skew your balance," she said.

"But in general, it seems as though it may be near normal."

Powell said when meteorologists forecast seasonal weather, they look at broad-scale atmospheric patterns.

"We're not seeing any one particular pattern that's looking in for the summer months," she said.

"Some indicators are suggesting one scenario, other indicators are suggesting another scenario."

Some of them are giving us conflicting indications of what sort of pattern we can expect. This is why we're not expecting to lock into a dominant pattern for the summer season.

"However, we are expecting that we should be slightly above, especially given that we're heading into a La Nina scenario right now."

Powell said Niagara's summer is expected to be comparable to most of what the rest of southern Ontario will experience.

"The last couple of summers, we were slightly cooler than what we are expecting right now," she said.

"For instance, Toronto last year we didn't get to 30C until July."

This year ... we've already hit 30C for many areas across southern Ontario, but last year we took quite a while to get to that."

If temperatures do become unbearably warm this summer, Powell encourages people to take advantage of nearby waterways.

"The days where we do get above that 30C, and it may be a bit difficult, if you can, get out to the water to stay cool. Take advantage of that lake breeze. And, of course, sun screen is always very important."

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Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market: spring is asparagus time

Local Ontario asparagus is at the Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market now.

Don't wait to pick up the tender spears of green. The season is short.

Ever wonder what asparagus looks like when it's growing? Well, it sort of looks like really thick grass. Then it looks like skinny naked trees surrounded by fluffy ferns. Those tall soft fern-like plants are the "blooms" when the asparagus doesn't get cut or harvested.

To prepare asparagus for cooking, snap off, don't cut, the ends. They will break just above the tough root end, so no worries about getting a mouthful of splintered straw.

Did you know there's a totally bizarre fact about asparagus and what it does to some of us humans. Some of us have a gene that within a few hours after we have eaten asparagus,



shredded for salad, marinated, pureed into soup, or add that asparagus to salads. Enjoy the green of Niagara spring. Pick it up on Tuesdays, downtown Fort Erie on Bridgeburg at the corner of Jarvis and Central, between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The horticultural society will be selling plants to fund their programs, and Niagara Region Waste

Management will be informing the public about recycling programs with freebies, and games etc, while selling recycle and green bins.

Like us on Facebook: Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market.

Chrystal Haverstock is the Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market co-ordinator.

our pee kinda reeks. Then the other weird fact is not everyone can smell it. Some people can produce the weird pee and not smell it, while others can smell it, but can't produce it. Then there's that small percentile that can both produce and smell it. They're special.

So, let the stinky experiment begin. Go ahead and boil that asparagus, only a couple of minutes though, not into oblivion like my mother used to do. Gross! It's even better sautéed, barbequed,

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News Briefs

Councillors vote to remove director from gaming development board

At the request of the Fort Erie Community Gaming Development Corporation Board (CGDC), Town councillors voted to remove the board's director, Ann-Marie Noyes last week.

The decision was approved as a result of a 5-1 vote that took place during last Tuesday night's council meeting, Ward 5 Coun. Don Lubberts was the only councillor to vote against the removal of Noyes from the CGDC.

The role of the CGDC is to manage funds raised from charity bingos and distribute them to a number of local charities that serve Fort Erie.

The board's members asked councillors to remove Noyes from the board after she refused to voluntarily resign.

Board member Larry Graber spoke on behalf of the CGDC last Tuesday night. He said "Board members should at all times act with decorum, but this has not been the case with (Noyes)."

According to Graber, Noyes has made repeated "vexatious, erroneous and defamatory statements" against Town staff and other board members.

If a vote was taken and Noyes didn't resign with the decision "she would continue to approach other individuals and try to coerce them into making her opinion to be the favoured one."

"At every meeting," Graber said "staff have been criticized for something" by Noyes.

"It's been a year and a half that this has been going on and we can't continue another two to three years under this type of environment."

Lubberts asked Graber if Noyes had been formally notified "of these issues."

"A formal sit-down was not done but staff have spoken to her at meetings," Graber said.

Noyes denied all the allegations brought forward against her and she was never approached "formally or informally" about her conduct.

She said part of her responsibility as the director of the CGDC is to be "a strong advocate for residents" and to ensure decisions are made and funds are distributed to charities in a "fair, transparent manner."

She noted that the value of the Canadian dollar had recently decreased, and with the rise in value of American dollars, bingo revenues have also increased, with some charities seeing an increase in revenues while others have not.

Noyes told councillors she felt the process for distributing those funds wasn't done in "a clear, transparent process."

She said she would ask questions of Town staff and outside organizations if she felt she wasn't given "enough information" or "the information was incorrect."

As a former councillor that served four terms for the municipality of Fort Erie, Noyes described herself as "a professional."

"At board meetings, I do not yell or call people nasty names," Noyes told councillors.

"Do I roll my eyes and sigh? Sometimes—probably because I am frustrated. I vote, I may shake my head but we go on."

As a councillor, Lubberts said he understood Noyes' decision to reach out to Town staff and outside sources to ask questions on an issue if there is something she didn't understand.

"I do the same thing (Noyes has done) as a councillor. I go outside of council and verify things Town staff has given me," he said.

"I'm supposed to get all the information so that I'm making the right decisions."

Ward 2 Coun. Stephen Passero said he "represents four or five different boards" and he "volunteers for bingos."

"I'm quite aware of the process (the CGDC must follow)," he said.

"We rely on staff to give us our best recommendation, we do it in this chamber and the CGDC does this. You have to have a trust in staff and an absence of trust is where the breakdown occurs," he said.

"If you go into every meeting with the notion staff are being dishonest

and that's your starting point, you're never going to get off that point."

Passero said it's not up to councillors "as individuals to go out on our own accord and try to pull every piece of evidence we can find to back up our own opinions and at the end of the day, when you boil it down, it's still just your personal opinion."

There's a process for everything and if you don't find it we're in a heap of trouble...I think that process has been followed," he added.

He said he felt the CGDC didn't arrive at their recommendation to remove Noyes from the board in haste.

"I know that myself and my colleagues did not take this situation lightly," he added.

Councillors invited participate in Long Beach Ride

It's time to tune up your bike, just in time for the Long Beach Ride planned for Father's Day weekend in Port Colborne.

At last Tuesday's council meeting, Gary Bellhouse, a member of the Long Beach Ride Committee, invited Town councillors to participate in the second annual Long Beach Ride on Sunday, June 19 in support of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Niagara.

Last year, the event raised more than \$12,000 for the organization that serves children in Fort Erie, Welland, Pelham, Port Colborne and Wainfleet.

"This year, we're hoping for 200 riders to raise \$25,000."

The event includes a group ride of 25, 50 or 100 kilometres and will leave from the Wainfleet Lions Club.

The cost to register is \$10 for two participants.

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Stevensville home destroyed by fire

A Stevensville home was destroyed by fire Friday afternoon.

Fort Erie fire Chief Larry Coplen put the loss at \$250,000.

Firefighters from Fort Erie Fire Department were called to 3565 Hendershot Dr., at 5:23 p.m.

"They believe it started outside on a rear deck," Coplen said of the blaze. "The cause of the fire is still under investigation (by members of the Fort Erie Fire Department). Coplen said the fire was put out 'very quickly.'"

"It took firefighters about a half hour (to extinguish the flames). The owner was not home at the time of the fire and there were no injuries."

Chamber hosts golf tournament

The Greater Fort Erie Chamber

of Commerce is hosting the Drive Fore Business Golf Tournament on Monday, June 27 at Bridgewater Golf and Country Club.

Registration will take place at 11:30 a.m. Participants will receive a registration gift, a barbecue lunch and have use of the driving range until the 1 p.m. shotgun start. A buffet dinner will follow.

The cost to register is \$175 per golfer.

There are a number of sponsorship opportunities for business promotion including \$125 for a hole sponsorship and \$1,500 for a Platinum Golf sponsorship, which includes registration for a foursome.

For more information call the Chamber at 905-871-3803.

Celebrate Brain Injury Awareness month

The Head Injury Association of Fort Erie, at 649 Niagara Blvd. invites the community to attend its garage sale and barbecue on Saturday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The event has been planned for the kick-off of Brain Injury Awareness Month, which is celebrated in June.

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Harper, Nicholson 'were a good fit'

RAY SPITERI
Postmedia Network

Niagara Falls MP Rob Nicholson will not follow his former boss Stephen Harper into political retirement.

Nicholson, who Harper entrusted with several high-profile cabinet posts during his nearly 10 years as prime minister, said he intends to fulfill his obligation to voters and complete the rest of his term in office.

"There's no question about that. I'm extremely grateful to the people of Niagara Falls, Fort Erie and Niagara-on-the-Lake for giving me this opportunity," said Nicholson.

"I've had the opportunity to represent our interests in Ottawa.

"I have a private member's bill that will be up for debate in another week or so for a national strategy with respect to Alzheimer's and dementia, so I'm very pleased to be associated with that."

Nicholson is a 20-year federal politician and is an elder

statesman in the Conservative party.

He was an integral part of the Conservative government during the past nine years before the party was defeated by Justin Trudeau's Liberals in October.

Under Harper's prime ministership, Nicholson was appointed Canada's leader of the government in the House of Commons, minister responsible for government reform, justice minister and attorney general, defence minister, and foreign affairs minister.

Nicholson said he appreciated the confidence Harper placed in him during the years.

He said Harper "epitomized great leadership" as prime minister and guided the Conservative party to three consecutive election victories.

"We were a good fit," said Nicholson.

"On the justice portfolio, he always took the side of victims and law-abiding Canadians.

"On foreign affairs, he was very clear as to where he stood and against what Russia was doing. He stood on behalf of Israel, and stood up to ISIL.

"And with respect to the economy, very careful in government spending. He believed in balanced budgets, and we returned the budget to a balanced position before the (October) election.

"He was completely consistent, and I agreed with the different approaches that he took."

Harper will resign as MP by the fall to pursue business interests and look to establish a foreign policy institute, according to media reports.

Harper won't return as MP for the fall sitting of Parliament, as he considers multiple offers in the corporate sector.

Nicholson was flying to British Columbia Thursday to take part in the party's national convention in Vancouver. In the afternoon, he was scheduled to

attend a caucus meeting, while Harper was scheduled to speak to thousands of Conservative supporters on Thursday evening.

Nicholson predicted Harper would be received with "an overwhelmingly warm support of welcome from the delegates."

After being re-elected MP this past fall, Nicholson was named the party's justice critic after an unsuccessful bid to become interim leader of the Tories after Harper resigned as party head.

Despite the party's defeat in October, Nicholson said he believes the Tories are in "pretty good shape."

"We came out of this election after a loss with 100 seats. And other than Atlantic Canada, where we're going to have to make up some ground, we had distribution of our seats right across the country," he said.

"I think we're in a good position for the next federal campaign."



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Rob Nicholson has work left to do before thinking about retiring as Conservative MP for the Niagara riding.

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18 Learn about butterflies and pollinators at festival

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

Spend some time learning about the importance of butterflies and other pollinators.

The Bert Miller Nature Club has teamed up with the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority and the Fort Erie Conservation Club to host the third annual Butterfly Festival at the Stevensville Conservation Area at 2555 Ott Rd., in Stevensville on Sunday, June 12 between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

"The focus (of the festival)

is on butterflies being one of the most important pollinators for 1/3 of our food source," organizer Lynda Goodridge said.

"If there are no pollinators, there are no cherries, no apples and many other types of food."

Dawn Pierrynowski, Fort Erie Conservation Club coordinator, said pollinators such as butterflies are declining in number due to the loss of their habitat.

"That loss of habitat includes plants that are pollinator friendly," Pierrynowski said.

"We need to make our

own backyards, institutions, playgrounds and parks pollinator-friendly by planting things that attract butterflies and bees."

Admission to the festival is free. There will be a number of activities at the festival including nature hikes, guest speakers, a native plant sale, children's activities, displays, a community planting event and a pollinator panel for children and families to stop and pose with for pictures.

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WHO: The Bert Miller Nature Club, the Fort Erie Conservation Club and the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority.

WHAT: The three groups have partnered together

to host the third annual Butterfly Festival. Admission to the festival is free.

WHEN: Sunday, June 12 between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

WHERE: The Stevensville Conservation Area, 2555 Ott

Rd., Stevensville.

WHY: The festival will educate the public about the importance of pollinators such as the butterfly and their role in growing food.



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Lynda Goodridge, Dawn Pierrynowski and Connie Charron invite the community to attend the Butterfly Festival on Sunday, June 12 at the Stevensville Conservation Area.



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Proceeds from barbecue to benefit Fort Erie Public Library

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

The Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library invite the community to a barbecue on June 11.

Volunteers will grill hot dogs and hamburgers and serve them in exchange for donations to the charitable organization in front of Sobey's on Garrison Road between 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

The Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library, founded several years ago, "supports the town's most used resource," president Ann McLaughlin said.

"We fund special projects that go beyond the budget that is given to the library by the Town of Fort Erie."

Each year, the Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library work toward fundraising enough money to pay for

some of the items on the library's wish list.

This year, McLaughlin said the Friends hope to purchase furniture, books and other items to create a children's area at the Crystal Ridge branch that is "similar to the one that was funded by the Rotary Club of Fort Erie and put into place at the Fort Erie Leisureplex."

"We don't have a timeline yet as to when this will happen but it's something we are currently working toward," she said.

Volunteers have raised approximately \$9,000 over the course of the last two years, including \$4,974 for the new interactive play wall that was installed at the library's Crystal Ridge branch last June.

McLaughlin said the library is "central to the health of a

community," which is why it's so important to fundraise for "all the little extras" that make all three of the library's branches fun and inviting community spaces.

For more information or to support the Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library visit www.fepj.ca/friends.

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WHO: The Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library

WHAT: The group will host a barbecue.

WHEN: June 11 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

WHERE: Sobey's, 450 Garrison Rd., in Fort Erie.

WHY: Proceeds from the barbecue will support new projects to enhance the Fort Erie Public Library.



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Two-year-old Mia Eberly, pictured in this file photo, was one of the first children to climb and explore the new play structure at the Crystal Ridge branch of the Fort Erie Public Library that was installed last June.



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The Frugal Dutchman offers new take on antiques

ANNIE PASQUARIELLO

Special to the Fort Erie Times

Although it may not be conventional in the world of antiques, Ridgeway's newest store, The Frugal Dutchman, is catering to a variety of tastes and ages.

Owner Christian Kentie, says he wants The Frugal Dutchman to be a comfortable place where families can come in together and share their love of collectibles and antiques. The newest addition to Ridge Road carries antiques, collectibles and comic books.

Kentie says conventionally an antique is a piece which is older than 50 to 60 years, yet they carry Pokemon cards from 1996 which may be considered more of a modern collectible or vintage item.

"When people hear antiques they automatically think large, ornate pieces.

I love those things, but the younger generation doesn't get involved because they don't understand. Comic books and cards are more practical collectibles for some."

An antique dealer for eight years, Kentie decided to open up The Frugal Dutchman when the opportunity for the space came up and expanding to include comic books was a no brainer for him.

"I've always taken interest in them and they are a popular item."

By catering to different tastes and carrying a variety of pieces, Kentie says he wants to bridge the gap between parents who are interested in collecting and want to share that interest with their children.

"We want to facilitate to be able to teach one to fit the other"

With roots in Ridgeway, Kentie says he was not apprehensive opening a new business in the area.

"I love Ridgeway and the atmosphere here lends itself to the type of business we have. There is an antique feel here. There are exciting things happening to revitalize Ridgeway and Fort Erie and we are excited to be a part of it"

With their recent grand opening last Saturday, Kentie says they have already seen quite a bit of traffic with the nice weather and American long weekend. Although he is not sure what to expect the next few months ahead, he is hoping the expanding American tourism in the area will also bring traffic to the store.

"We jumped in feet first. There is a great culture in this area and Ridgeway is becoming part of that nostalgia."

The Frugal Dutchman is located at 356 Ridge Rd., N.



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Fort Erie theatre invaded by the British

JOHN LAW
Postmedia Network

The Brits are coming to Fort Erie. Again.

As part of its theatre exchange program with Garrison Little Theatre, the Faringdon Dramatic Society of Oxfordshire, England is bringing its production of Eric Chappell's *Side Effects* to town.

Nine cast and crew of the show will stay with GLT members during the visit. Performances will be June 2 and 3.

Longtime GLT member Chuck Jagiello, who organizes the semi-regular exchange, says it's a great way for company members to get a new perspective on theatre. Last year, GLT took its production of Norm Foster's *Office Hours* to Faringdon.

"A lot of us have maintained friendships outside the theatre once we got to know each other," he says. "It's just a way to sort of expand everyone's horizons."

When we took *Office Hours* over, we took two girls who were just out of high school. Because we did some small fundraising, we pretty much covered the cost of the flights for the director and actors.

"So it's kind of nice to (bring) these two girls, who at this point in their lives really couldn't afford to spend 10 days in England."

GLT has had an exchange program since 1993, first with a theatre from Cheltenham, England. In 2002, GLT



SPECIAL TO POSTMEDIA NETWORK

The Faringdon Dramatic Society of Oxfordshire, England brings its production of *Side Effects* to Fort Erie June 2 and 3. It's part of an exchange program with Garrison Little Theatre.

co-founder Derek Joyne met the president of Faringdon Dramatic Society, and the two companies have held regular exchanges ever since.

Faringdon was formed in 1948, and has brought more than 150 productions to the stage. Garrison Little Theatre celebrates its 30th anniversary next season.

This year's exchange came

with some drama, however. An actress originally cast in the show was injured in a car accident in the UK. Rather than cancel the performances, GLT actress Alex Pederson is stepping in.

The problem? While the rest of the cast is rehearsing in England, she's learning her part in Fort Erie. There will only be a short window to rehearse once the British company arrives.

"She's really smart and very talented," says Jagiello. "I'm kind of quasi-directing, based on information I get from Debbie (Lock), the director in Faringdon. But because I struggle with English humour, I have no idea what I'm doing half the time."

The part of what makes the exchange unpredictable - shows which go over well in England may be a challenge

in Canada, and vice versa.

"It depends on the show," says Jagiello. "We did (Norm Foster's) *Maggie's Getting Married* in Cheltenham, and a lot of what would be Canadian humour" was kind of lost. They were always polite, but you could tell "Okay, I don't get this." Conversely, I have trouble with English humour."

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Lynyrd Skynyrd will replace Tears for Fears at Artpark July 19.

Tears for Fears out at Artpark, Skynyrd steps in

JOHN LAW
Postmedia Network

Tears for Fears has cancelled its July 19 show at Artpark, but Lynyrd Skynyrd fans are going to shout for joy.

The southern rock icons will be the replacement act as part of Artpark's Tues-

days in the Park concert series.

Tears for Fears has postponed all 18 U.S. dates of its much-anticipated summer tour because of "family illness," according to the band's website. "It's with great disappointment that we have to postpone our U.S. summer

tour dates due to unforeseen and unhappy circumstances," the band posted May 19 at www.tearsforfears.com. "We thank our fans for their understanding and hope to get back on the road again soon."

Artpark was scheduled to be the last date of the summer tour. The much-anticipated show was going to be the band's first local appearance in several years.

Lynyrd Skynyrd, however, are no strangers to Niagara. In addition to several rockin' shows at the Niagara Fallsview Casino, the band holds a unique place in Artpark's history — a free show in July, 2011, set a new Artpark attendance record of 30,000. It was topped a week later when 31,000 came out for ZZ Top. Both shows caused logistical problems in Lewiston, New York, forcing Artpark to limit crowds to 10,000 to 12,000 people, and start charging admission.

Refunds for Tears for Fears are being processed automatically, with credit card charges refunded within five business days. Cheques will be issued to patrons who paid with cash.

Season package holders will not be affected, and will be issued Skynyrd tickets at no additional fee.

Regular tickets will be US\$18 advance, US\$23 the week of the show. Tickets go on sale May 27, 10 a.m., at www.tickets.com or www.artpark.net. By phone at 1-888-223-6000.

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Location: Ridgeway Legion

Time: Noon

Contact: Barbara Hopkins | bhopkins@rogers.ca | 905-380-4094

June 11-12

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Location: Old Fort Erie

Time: 1:30pm

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June 11

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Location: The Sanctuary (228 Ridge Rd.)

Time: 7:30 to 11:30pm

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June 18

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Location: Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 236 (228 South Mill St.)

Time: 4 to 8pm

Contact: Barbara Hopkins | bhopkins@rogers.ca | 905-380-4094

June 25

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Location: Lakeshore (4 Municipal Centre Dr.)

Time: 4 to 8pm

Contact: Pauline Petes | facebook.com/rotaryforterie

June 25

Shows in the Supermarket

The Central Fort Erie Association is proud to present Shows in the Supermarket featuring family-friendly movies, refreshments, charity

viewing and better home furnishings will be available onsite.

Location: Supermarket Plus (Glenora Rd. & Central Ave.)

Time: 8 to 10pm

Contact: Rosewood but will be accepting donations

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June 27

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July 21-24

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July 23

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July 23

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Location: Queen's Circle, Crystal Beach

Time: 10am to 6pm

Contact: Karen Matthews | info@kennedyartstudies.com | info@kennedyartstudies.com

August 6-7

The Siege of Fort Erie Battle Re-enactment

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August 20

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Time: 1pm
Cost: TBD
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August 27

Shows in the Sugarbowl

The Central Firefighters Association is proud to present Shows in the Sugarbowl featuring family-friendly movies. Refreshments, priority viewing and barrier free washrooms will be available onsite.
Location: Sugarbowl Park (Shore Rd & Central Ave)
Time: 8 to 11pm
Cost: Free event but will be accepting donations
Contact: facebook.com/Showsinthesugarbowl

September 3

End of Summer Parade

The Friends of Crystal Beach sponsored parade travels through the village featuring colourful floats, music, antique cars and the "remains" of Old Man Summer.
Location: Crystal Beach, Fort Erie
Time: 1pm
Cost: Free
Contact: Karen Matthews | info@friendsofcrystalbeach.com | fbcrystal

September 18

Murder Mystery

Something foul is afoot at Old Fort Erie. Meet the snazzy suspects as you search for clues to solve the crime.
Location: Old Fort Erie
Time: 7pm
Cost: \$10 (adult) \$5 (child)
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September 15

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September 17

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September 24

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Time: 8am

Cost: \$25

Contact: Sandy Ruess | 905-871-0236 | sandy@forterietimes.ca

October 1

Fort Erie Conservation Club Fall Fair

Join the fun this fall with a market, garage sale, crafts, silent auction, penny sale, bake sale and antique cars. Kid-friendly activities include birdhouse painting, face painting, fishing pond & more!
Location: Fort Erie Conservation Club (2555 On Rd)
Time: 10am to 3pm
Cost: Free
Contact: Connie Chalmers | fortiericonservationclub@gmail.com | fortiericonservationclub.ca

October 2

How-To Festival

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Location: Fort Erie Library, Centennial Branch (136 Gilmore Rd)
Time: 10am to 3pm
Cost: Free
Contact: andybeck@fep.ca | fep.ca

October 8

Crystal Beach 5K Run/Walk

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Location: Crystal Beach, Fort Erie
Time: 10am
Contact: Karen Matthews | info@friendsofcrystalbeach.com | crystalbeach5k.com

October 22, 23 & 29

All Hallow's Eve

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Location: Old Fort Erie
Time: 7:30pm, 7:45pm & 8pm
Cost: \$12.25 (adult) \$7.95 (child/6-12)
Contact: 905-871-0540 | oldforterie.com

November 12

Red Ribbon Art Exhibition and Sale

This year marks the 12th annual event. The evening will include art inspired by local artists and musicians as well as appetizers, a silent auction and live & beer bar.
Location: Lakesplex (3 Municipal Centre Dr)
Time: 7 to 11pm
Cost: \$10
Contact: eacordibbenn@gmail.com

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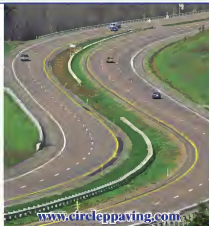
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SARAH FERNANDO/FORT ERIE TIMES

The Greater Fort Erie Minor Baseball League celebrated the start of the baseball season last Tuesday night at Oakes Park. Players and their families were invited to come out and watch baseball games and visit with Buster Bison, the mascot for the Buffalo Bisons. Fluffy the Clown was also on hand to entertain children. The league held a free registration draw for each division to promote baseball in Fort Erie and to encourage children to register to play. The winners of the draw were pictured with Buster Bison. From left, are Meredith Hilmayer, Noah Collings, Christian Thompson and Michael Tibollo. Absent is Elijah Foebel.



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Rio Vista Retirees results

SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

Last week was very special for our Rio Vista Retirees as it was commemorating the end of the golfing career of Walter Pearce.

After playing golf for over 75 years at Rio Vista, Walter has decided to call it quits.

The Revere Retirement Residence at Garrison Place where Walter is now residing put on a special luncheon for the members of the league to celebrate Walt's lengthy golf career.

A turnout of 55 retirees

Rio Vista Retirees

were on hand to make this a special day for their old golf comrade. The league would like to thank Garrison Place for putting on this celebration and the folks at Rio Vista for hosting.

The event last week was the ever popular four man scramble.

The hidden hole was the par three seventh which

was also for the closest to the pin with a drive, which five golfers managed to do. First place winners were the team of Stapleton, Thomas, Nelson and Chapman.

Second place were O'Brien, Winger, Mann and Butler and third place went to the team of McKellar, Kramer, Wilson and Whitaker. This week was a two man scramble event. Read the results from Wednesday's game in next week's edition of the Fort Erie Times.

Remember, golf is harder than baseball as in golf you have to play your foul balls.

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BLAKE FARHAM/SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

The annual Kevin Hartman Fishing Derby was held Sunday at the Stevensville Conservation Area. Each child received free lunch and rods. Prizes were awarded to the top two fishers. Dianne Hartman and fishing derby organizer Bob Jackson presented the first place award to Emma Giles, who caught a two-pound, eight-ounce fish. Second place went to Kevin Hartman's niece, Farrah Grelowski. She caught a 12-ounce fish. The rods each child received were donated by David Watts, national account executive for Maurice Sporting Goods Canada.

Soccer season begins



DWAYNE WISSEY/SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

In this photo, Coach Darren Kucman took a rest with his under 10 house league soccer team after one of the team's first games of the season last Thursday. The Greater Fort Erie Youth Soccer Club house league season opened its regular season Monday.

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Walter Pearce, 96, recently retired from playing golf. The lifelong Fort Erie resident was celebrated by his fellow golfers and members of the Rio Vista Retirees and family during a luncheon at Rio Vista Golf Club last Wednesday. His golfing partner of six years, Marty Roberts, holds the duo's final score card. Pearce finished his final golf game on Nov. 20 last season with a score of 45.

Golfer celebrated during retirement luncheon

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

Walter Pearce feels most at home on the greens at Rio Vista Golf Course.

Born and raised in a home just

down the street from the course, Pearce began playing at Rio Vista in 1928; five years before the golf club opened in 1933.

Pearce said he had a natural talent when he picked up a set of golf clubs for the first time as a child.

When asked what he loved about playing golf, Pearce said the game "is a sport of hitting a ball and taking a straight shot."

He continued playing with the Rio Vista Retirees, a senior group of approximately 60 golfers that

met every Wednesday morning, until last season.

After many years of hitting the links to play, the 96-year-old golfer that resides at Garrison Place felt it was time to hang up his clubs for good.

His fellow golfers celebrated Pearce during a special celebration luncheon last Wednesday morning at Rio Vista. The event, hosted by Garrison Place, was well attended by Pearce's friends and family. Rio Vista Retirees golfer Marty Roberts has been Pearce's golfing partner for the past six years.

"My father was an avid golfer and when I play with Walter it's a lot like playing with my father. It was really special."

Pearce played his final golf

game on Nov. 20 last season and "scored a 45 that day," Martin said.

Up until last year, Martin said Pearce would play a round of nine holes five days a week, and sometimes on the weekends.

"He never took a golf cart, and walked instead. He would walk about four kilometres a day."

Martin said it doesn't matter what a golfer's score is. What matters most is the player's ability to be respectful on the golf course and it's something he has learned from Pearce.

"Walt has always been a real gentleman on the course and has always been respectful of others."

Pearce, a Morse code operator in Italy during the Second World War, returned home to Fort Erie in 1947 and worked as a customs officers. He and his wife, Hilda, have two children, a son named Roger and a daughter named Jeanette as well as six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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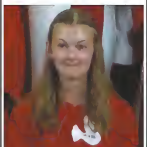
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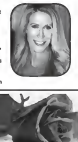
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JAMIESON, Verna Evelyn (nee Martin) - age 90, of Six Nations Indian Reservation, Chawkeewic, Ontario and Fort Erie, Ontario, peacefully passed on May 27th, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Loris Arnold Jamieson, dearest mother of Charles (Margie), Linda (Kevin), late Shirley Ellen (Tom), Arnold, late Joanna Mae, and Darrell (Kimberley); cherished grandmother of Ron (Jess), Lori (Tony), Robert (Kasra), James (Danielle), Ellen (Jimmy), Trent, Tony, Brian (Nichole), Kevin (Heather), Blake, Tyson, Aaliyah, Crystal and Margie; beloved great-grandmother of 16, and sister to one living brother Lummy; predeceased by Gladys, Max, Margaret, Rita, Jack, Lloyd, Jimmy and Dorothy. Survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Verna was a proud member of the Indian Defense League of America, Buffalo Branch; Guild member Church of the Ascension, Buffalo, St. Paul Anglican Church, Six Nations, St. Mary's on the Hill, Buffalo and St. Paul's Anglican Church, Fort Erie; Assistant Coach Little League Tim Horton's Baseball Team, Fort Erie; Lifelong member Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre and Buffalo Native American Cultural Services and an avid Bowler. Special thanks are extended to Dr. Scher, Dr. Lee and the entire staff at the Douglas Memorial Hospital for their wonderful care provided. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie, entrusted with arrangements. A celebration of Verna's life will be at the Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre, 796 Buffalo Road, Fort Erie, Ontario at 6 o'clock and time to be announced. For those who wish, memorial donations may be made to the Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre.



MARR, John Earl -

John suddenly and peacefully passed away with his family by his side at Greater Niagara General Hospital, Niagara Falls at the age of 79 on Sunday, May 29th, 2016. Beloved husband of Dorothy (nee Ammer) Geyer, Don (Jan), John (Valerie) and Tracy (Eric) Monk. Cherished Papa of Eric, Alysha, Dylan, Alex, Bailey, Jessica and Sara. Dear brother of Art (Archie) and Mary. Missed by his Aunt Gladys and many nieces, nephews and his in-laws Mary, Helen, Mouse, Jack, and David Sr. John worked at INCO for 36 years and was a life member Royal Canadian Legion Br 230 in Ridgeway. **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES**, 722 Ridge Rd N, Ridgeway, entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, June 1st from 2-4 and 7-9pm. A Celebration of Life for John will be held at 11am Thursday June 2nd, at Windmill Point Church on Stonemill Rd. in Ridgeway. Interment to follow in the churchyard. If so desired, donations to Windmill Point Church (Missions) or Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. A Special Thank You to Steve and Laurie Vorstenbosch and the staff of GNGH.

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The memory of those happy days When we were all together.

Always loved, Always missed,
Lois, Mark, Lin, Kelley Ann, Dean, Jay, Miami, Brian and families.

Always remembered
UNVI, Rick -
April 27, 1970 - June 2, 2012

May the winds of love blow softly
and Whisper for you to hear,
That we'll always love and miss you
and wish that you were here.

Love,
Melissa, Tanner, and Walker xo

Friends are the pillars on your porch. Sometimes they hold you up, sometimes they lean on you, and sometimes it's just enough to know that they are standing by.

Arlene Unknown

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JESSIE KANE EDEN
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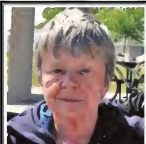
7th year away from home. Treasured memories of a loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Sadly missed and always remembered by John, David, Nicole, Chantal, Zachary and Chloe.



WILLICK, LUKE -
 June 5, 2009

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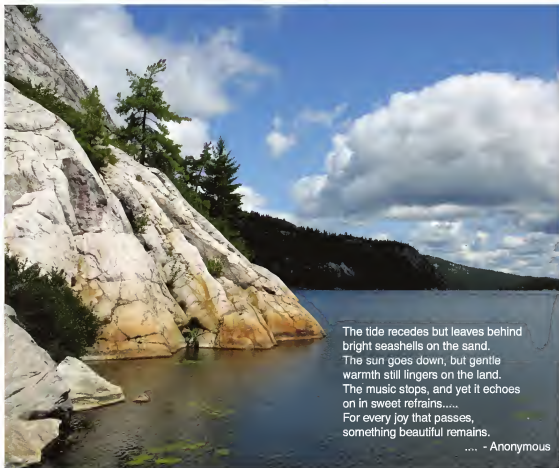
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.... - Anonymous



We've shared our lives these many years. You've held my hand; you've held my heart. So many blessings, so few tears - yet for a moment, we must part.

- Unknown

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